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Applicant : ARMBRUSTER et al.
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For : PROCESS FOR PREPARING 1-(6-METHYLPYRIDIN-3-YL)-2-[4-(METHYLSULFONYL)PHENYL]ETHANONE

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Patent Extension
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for filing an Amendment, in response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2005, which requires a response by February 21, 2006, be extended for one additional month to and including **March 21, 2006**.

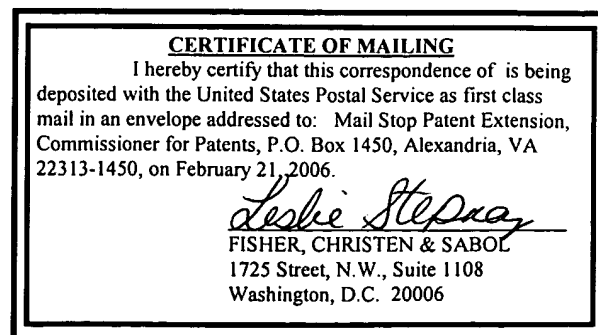
This is the first request for an extension of time. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is attached. In the event of any discrepancies regarding the fee, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1110. This request is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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